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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: MASS SA EG  
SUBJ: SADAT STATEMENT ON SAUDI ARMS PURCHASES FOR EGYPT

1. WE HAVE NOTED WIRE SERVICE AND RADIO REPORTS CONCERNING  
PASSAGE IN SADAT JULY 16 SPEECH ON SAUDI COMMITMENT TO PAY  
FOR DEVELOPMENT EGYPTIAN ARMED FORCES FOR COMING  
FIVE YEARS. TEXT OF STATEMENT AS PUBLISHED IN PRESS  
(AND FBIS) IS AS FOLLOWS: "LAST YEAR BEGAN AND I WANTED  
TO DEVELOP THE ARMED FORCES. THE SOVIET UNION HAS IMPOSED  
A BAN ON ME SINCE THE CEASE-FIRE AND UP TILL TODAY. WHAT  
HAPPENED? I WENT TO OUR ARAB BROTHERS. THERE WERE TWO  
SITUATIONS. I EXPLAINED TO OUR ARAB BROTHERS THE ARMAMENT  
SITUATION. SAUDI ARABIA UNDERTOOK TO DEVELOP THE ARMED  
FORCES. YOU HEARD ME THANKING SAUDI ARABIA WHEN I ADDRESSED  
THE ARMIES AND THE NAVY BECUASE IT UNDERTOOK COMMITMENTS  
FOR THE NEXT FIVE YEARS WITHOUT US PAYING ONE MILLENE TO  
DEVELOP THE ARMED FORCES."

2. ALTHOUGH MANY OBSERVERS ARE READING THIS AS SAUDI COMMITMENT  
BEGINNING IN 1976, SAUDI FIRST SECRETARY TOLD EMBOFF JULY 18  
THAT PERIOD REFERRED TO WAS 1973-78. HE ADDED THAT AGREEMENT  
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COULD BE RENEWED. SAUDI EMBASSY EXTREMELY PLEASED WITH SADAT  
PRAISE FOR HELP EGYPT HAS RECEIVED FROM SAUDI ARABIA AND OTHER  
"TRADITIONAL" REGIMES AND HIS (SADAT'S) CONTRASTING THIS  
WITH LACK OF MILITARY ASSISTANCE FROM RADICAL ARAB LEADERS.  
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